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Governor Baker Launches Video Celebrating ‘Great Outdoors Month’ in Massachusetts



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BOSTON – Governor Charlie Baker today launched an online video declaring June 2015 as ‘Great Outdoors Month’ in Massachusetts. The video follows a [proclamation made by Governor Baker](#) at the Department of Conservation and Recreation’s (DCR) 2015 Capital Campout in South Boston’s Castle Island, where he joined Commissioner Carol Sanchez, Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Matt Beaton, and fourth graders from the Condon Elementary School to encourage residents to take advantage of natural resources in the Commonwealth’s state parks year round.

“I am pleased to announce June as ‘Great Outdoors Month’ in the Commonwealth.

Massachusetts has 450,000 acres of public land that includes parks, forests, and beaches for our citizens to enjoy every day,” **said Governor Charlie Baker.** “It is my hope that families across the Commonwealth will take full advantage of the wonderful opportunity to explore the countless outdoor activities throughout our state.”

Transcription:

GOVERNOR BAKER: Growing up, my memories were the sound of kids playing catch, Little League baseball, the crack of the bat. I’ll never forget those nights, because they had a lot to do with establishing my appreciation for all that was going on outside around me. And that’s why I’ve declared June 2015 as Great Outdoors Month in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. But that shouldn’t stop everyone from enjoying our Cape Cod beaches, our forest trails, and Berkshire mountain ranges year round. There’s an endless opportunity for healthy outdoor recreation in and around Massachusetts and our state parks. Take your family camping, biking, swimming, canoeing, or just relax and enjoy a picnic together. This summer, create an outdoor adventure in our close-to-home state parks. Make your own outdoor memory that will last a lifetime, and make it happen here in Massachusetts.

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